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Informational Meeting for Direct Care Workers to be Held in Lakota

BISMARCK, N.D. - The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Medical Services Division will hold an informational meeting in Lakota on Tues., June 30, 2015, from 9 to 11 a.m. for current qualified service providers and anyone interested in being an in-home caregiver for older adults and people with disabilities. The meeting is at the Nelson County Social Service Office, 210 B Ave. W., in the Community Room.

Qualified service providers are friends, neighbors, family members, and others who provide in-home care to older adults and people with disabilities so they can continue to live in their own homes and communities.

The meetings will include an interactive online demonstration on how to complete enrollment forms and billing documents, an overview of programs and services available through the department that support independent living, and a review of provider rates and reimbursement requirements. There will also be discussion about how to become a qualified service provider, as well as the responsibilities associated with being a caregiver.

To preregister, contact Susan McNeil, direct service workforce development coordinator, at 701-328-4090, toll free 800-755-2604, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or smcneil@nd.gov.

The department has created a video highlighting the experiences of people providing services for clients as qualified service providers. The video is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/providers.html.

Individuals interested in working as a qualified service provider should contact their local county social service office. People can also call the North Dakota Department of Human Services toll-free at 1-855-GO2-LINK (855-462-5465) – select option 1 or ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888.